28 September 1973

Bob:

Here is my revised proposal on the intelligence museum collection.

Now that we have directorate Historical Officers, I don't need to bother the DD's. The attached note could go from me to my general referents.

I leave it to you if we should check the draft or the general proposition with Colby first. I guess we should.

WALTER ELDER

Attachment: a/s

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Historical Officers

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SUBJECT:

Intelligence Museum Collection

In addition to the documented history of the Agency, - in papers, recollections, and finished histories, - there are other paraphenalia which may be suitable for collection in an intelligence museum. The nature of these items varies from activity to activity, and criteria for identifying them will have to be developed.

Based on the recent Cuban missile crisis exhibit, certain items would appear to qualify as museum items:

- i) Unique documents, e.g., Presidential letters, DCI cables
- 2) Unique equipment, e.g., U-2 camera
- Photographs, e.g., critical intelligence targets,
   historic meetings
- 4) Medals and decorations, e.g., silver desk calendar

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The Intelligence Museum Commission is abolished, and the CIA

History Staff assumes responsibility for identifying and collecting items for an intelligence museum.

The Historical Officers in each directorate are requested to submit their comments on an intelligence museum collection to the undersigned.

WALTER ELDER Chief, CIA History Staff MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

Bill:

On 16 August we promised to come up with a proposal on the Intelligence Museum. Walt Elder has arranged with the Deputies for the designation of referents for the purpose. If you agree, he will use the attached to move ahead.

Robert S. Wattles

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Background: DD/M&S 73-3292 - Memo dtd 16 Aug 73 for Acting DCI fr ADD/M&S - informal - re Intelligence Museum Committee